.When a policeman on a Frankford and Lehigh avenue car fired a shot room his revolver over the heads of a hreatening mob at Fifth and Cumber-

City Hall Riot Squad Obliged to Shoot.

Continuous Disorders All Afternoon.

Fifth street, Girard avenue, South street and other thoroughfares were the scenes of almost continuous dis-orders during the late afternoon hours.

Alleged Plot to Bomb Cars-Two Ar

rests Made.

court.

The men were arrested early today by H. S. Silcox, chief detective of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company, and Detective O'Conner of the central office.

STARTLING ASSERTION

Publishers' Association.

In Connection with the Statement Re-cently Published by the Periodical

NORWICH, CONN., MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1910

GENERAL STRIKE IN PHILADELPHIA

Walkout of 125,000 Sympathetic Union Men Begins Next Saturday.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION SO VOTES

This Action Taken at the End of a Decret Session of More Than Six Hours Duration-This Makes the Situation Very Grave-Still Hope Remains That the Trouble May Be rbitrated During the Week-Rioting Renewed Sunday.

Philadelphia, Feb, 27. — Action fraught with possibly momentous consequences to Philadelphia was taken by the Central Labor union tonight, when that body, representing 140 unions, with a reputed memberrip of 125,000, voted to begin a sympathetic strike next Saturday in aid of the striking street railway employes. This action was taken at the end of a secret session of about 706 delegates in labor lyceum hall which lasted more than six hours.

General Walkout Next Saturday.

There was apparently no question but the delegates would vote to strike, the split being on the question of whether it would be started immediately. The more conservative element prevailed, however, and the walkout was put off until next Saturday. Meanwhile there is hope that the street railway strike will be arbitrated despite the repeated declarations by the transit company, controling all the lines in the city, that "there is nothing to arbitrate."

Gravity of the Situation Intensified.

Nobody doubts that tonight's action by the Central Labor union makes the situation very grave. There is a strong feeling, especially among business people, that the strike should be settled speedily, because all lines of business are suffering from the stagnation resulting from the interference with sympathy with the efforts toward arbitration made by clergymen of all demoninations early in the week. Whether this sentiment is strong enough to bring the clashing interests together remains to be seen.

A Feeling That Unionism is at Stake.

A Feeling That Unionism is at Stake. There was surprise over the unanimity of the vote in favor of a general sympathetic strike. For several days the meeting todny had been discussed but there was a mixed sentiment as to the wisdom of calling out all classes of workmen. Leaders of various trades unions said they were opposed to a general strike because it involved the matter of broken trade agreements. Others doubted their ability to order all workmen to lay down their tools and have the order obeyed. There is no doubt, however, of the strength of the feeling that unfonism is at stake and the consequent feeling that a fight to preserve it is necessary. This is the spirit without doubt that prevalled at today's meeting. As the gathering was secret, little of an authoritative nature can be learned of what took A Feeling That Unionism is at Stake. the feeling that unfordsm is at stake and the consequent feeling that a fight to preserve it is necessary. This is the spirit without doubt that prevalled at today's meeting. As the gathering was secret, little of an authoritative nature can be learned of what took place behind the barred doors. That there was impassioned oratory is evident from the fact that the meeting of the trolleymen to blow up cars. Early today they said they saw Copeland pick something from the track at Forty-ninth street and Woodplace behind the barred doors. That there was impassioned oratory is evident from the fact that the meeting of the trolleymen to blow up cars. Early today they said they saw Copeland pick something from the track at Forty-ninth street and Woodplace behind the barred doors. That they followed him and placed him under the delegates lastes from a little after.

dent from the fact that the meeting of the delegates lasted from a little after a c'clock until 8.30.

Greatest Strike in City's History Predicted.

The great crowd of work people gathered outside the hall would co'assionally hear foud cheering and a responsive cheer would go up from the outsiders. Finally when the meating broke up and the announcement was broke up and the announcement was The great crowd of work people gathered outside the hall would co assignably hear found cheering and a responsive cheer would go up from the outsiders. Finally when the meating broke up and the announcement was made that the delegates had resolved that unless the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company comes to an agreement with its striking employes by next Friday the greatest strike in the history of Philadelphia, will be begun, there was a great cheer and the crowd dispersed.

dispersed.

Not only members of unions affiliated with the Central Labor union, the Allied Building Trades council, but of every labor organization in Philadelphia in any way connected with the American Federation of Labor participated in the conference today.

Two Separate Labor Meetings Held. Two separate Laber Meetings Held.

Two separate meetings were held.

The delegates to the Central Labor union met on one floor of the building, while the presidents and business agents of the other organizations met on another floor. Declaring the car strike here had become a battle between capital and labor, the members of the Central Labor union unanimously adopted a resolution that every union man and woman stop work on next Saturday if in the meantime the striking car men have not reached an Saturday if in the meantime the striking car men have not reached an agreement with the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company. When this resolution was forwarded to the other meeting it was received enthusiastically, but was amended that the strike would take place on Tuesday. This ameniment was sent to the Central Lacor union, where it was debated for saveral hours, but it was finally determined to abide by the original resolution.

Two Persons Killed, Four Others Badly

A cour own a boy are dead and four other boys are seriously hurt as the result of a trolley car jumping a switch at Sixth and Jackson streets downtown tonight and dashing into the front door of a cigar store. The dead are: Charles McKenns, 14 years, died in the Methodist hospital from a fractured skull; John E. Frederick, 45 years crushed head, leg and internally injured, died shortly afterwards.

The injured are: Wilbam Everett, 14, internally injured; Abum Shinskig, 12 years; Raymond Trainor, aged 10 years; Edward Moore, aged 15 years.

Trolley Car Ploughed Through Crowd.

The dead and injured were all standing in front of the cigar store. There had been a disturbance down the street and someone had turned the unused switch at this point. A trolley car driven at high speed jumped the track and ploughed through the crowd on the sidewalk, only stepping after it had torn the front out of the store.

Realizing that much of the disturbance throughout the city was in many cases started by young children, Arch-blabop Ryan sent out a circular letter was read in every Roman Cath-burch in the city today warning to not to allow their children on the city during the present trouble.

Plot to Blow Up Cars. Philadelphia, Feb. 27.—Cars were toned, motormen and conductors were eaten and many passengers were truck by flying missiles in the rioting which was renewed here today after

Paris, Feb. 27.—Beyond a slight out-break of typhold in the barracks at the invalides, the health reports indicate that the measures taken, following the flood, to prevent an epidemic ware efficacious. The vital statistics show that the deaths in the city last week were 1,054, which is below the ayamal for this season, when the average number of deaths for a week is 1 129.

Cabled Paragraphs.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 27.—Emperon Nieholas left Tsarkoe-Selo palace yesterday and drove into St. Petersburg, where he called upon King Ferdiaan of Bulgaria. The emperor as usua occupied an open carriage and was without an escort. While passing through Nevski Prospekt the carriage was halted by the presence of a mar clothed as a peasant who knelt in its path and held a petition above 1 is head. The footman made a detour to avoid the man, who was subsequently taken to the police station.

WATERBURY EMBEZZLER

RETURNS FROM THE WEST. Charles S. Morehouse Surrenders to the Authorities.

Waterbury, Conn., Feb. 27.—After eluding the police for almost two mosths, which time he spent in or near Chicago, Charles S. Morehouse, wanted for the embezzlement of \$3,000 from Carroll & Leonard, local wholesale produce dealers, returned to Waterbury yesterday evening and gave himself up to the police tonight. Morehouse, who was the Torrington manager for the firm, wote his former employers from Chicago that he intended to surrender himself. threatening mob at Fifth and Cumber-land streets every window in the car was shattered by a hall of stones. The frightened motorman and conductor sought protection in a nearby store. Iron gratings were piled on the tracks and the mob was, endeavoring to de-molish the car when a squad of state police arrived on the scene. They drove back the crowd and escorted the car to the barn.

20 FAMILIES BURNED OUT, NO LOSS OF LIFE

Ten Double Dwelling Houses in Jersey City Destroyed.

New York, Feb. 27.—Twenty families of Jersey City were burned out tonight in a fire which destroyed ten double dwelling houses, ressed the plant of the New York Veneer Seating company, and delayed traffic on the Newark branch of the Central Railroad of New Jersey Ior two hours. The damage is estimated at \$200,000, of which the seating company will suffer \$160,000. There was no loss of life. City Hall Riot Squad Obliged to Shoot.

The riot squad from City hall which had been hastened to the scene in automobiles were obliged to shoot before they succeeded in dispersing a mob of two thousand persons which had gathered at Eighth and Fitzwater streets. A policeman had forced the driver of a huckster wagen, converted into a bus, to unload his passengers. This infuriated the crowd and they started to wreck a passing trolley car.

Continuous Disarders All Afternoon.

\$5,000 INSURANCE PAID On Life of Man Who Was Executed in New Jersey Prison.

New York, Feb. 27.—The novel contention that the applicant misstated his occupation as that of a traveling salesmen when in fact he was a professional burglar, has falled to support the refusal of one of the large insurance companies to pay a \$5,000 policy on the life of Adolph Bertchey, alias Big Bill Travis, a burglar who was put to death in the state prison at Trenton N. J., last August, for murder. The company decided not to force the issue in the courts and sent a check for the amount to Big Bill's widow of this city. The company had further contended that death hy legal execution was not contemplated in the contract with Bertchey, and that since his own act in killing a man was directly responsible for his death, he was to all intents and purposes a suicide, which absolved the company from responsibility. Charged with being implicated in a plot to blow up trolley cars filled with passengers, and to destroy other property of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company, Charles R. Copeland, a striking conductor, and William C. Field, a stationary fireman, formerly of New York, were held in \$2,500 bail today by Magistrate Beaton in the central police court.

3,000 Bales of Cotton Burned at New Bedford.

New Bedford, Mass., Feb. 27.—Up-wards of 3,000 bales of cotton and some wards of 3,000 bales of cotton and some manufactured product were lost in a spectacular fire that destroyed the large warchouse of Dennison Brothers' company here today, causing a total loss of \$385,000.

M. C. HIGGINS RESIGNS FROM SUPERINTENDENCY.

ropolitan Insurance Company, How-BY POSTMASTER GENERAL

On Saturday of this week the resignation of Michael C. Higgins as superance company in this vicinity takes efames company in this vicinity takes effect, and he will give up the duties of that office, closing 26 years' active service with the company. This is done as his doctor advises that he take a rest, as the steady application to the business has had its effect upon his health. He does not sever his connection with the company, however, as he is third vice president of the Veterans' association of the company.

It was 26 years ago that he became an agent for the company, but was soon promoted to be assistant superintendent, and four years after becoming an agent he had been made superintendent, and the fact that he held the office for 22 years shows the confidence the company had in his ability as an executive officer. He will continue with the company after his resignation takes effect.

SECOND INFANTRY TO CAMP AT NIANTIC.

Decision on This Has Been Reached— Political Side of It.

Publishers' Association.

Washington, Feb. 27.—"Erroneous or misleading," is the characterization by the postoffice department of a statement recently published by the Periodical Publishers' association, entitled "An Argument on Second Class Postal Rates from the Business Standpoint Alone." The answer of the department to the argument of the magazine publishers was given to the public today. It declares that "every material premise on which the argument is based proves to be faulty and consequently every important conclusion reached is fallacious."

The interesting—almost startling—assertion is made by Postmaster General Hitchcock that "if the rate on second class mail were made high enough to cover the entire cost of transporting and handling it, which has not been suggested it would be possible, without creating a deficit to reduce the postage on letters from two cents to one cent. Every time a two-cent stamp is now placed on a letter it defrays not only the expense of handling and transporting the letter, but heips to pay in almost equal measure the cost of distributing through the mails the periodical publications of the country."

The department's statement is an elaborate discussion of the cost to the government of postal facilities, particularly second class matter and rural free delivery. It is shown that the average length of the haul of magazines is 1,048 miles, while that of daily newspapers—also second class matter and rural free delivery. It is shown that the average length of the haul of magazines is 1,048 miles, while that of daily newspapers—also second class matter is on more expense to the government in carrying magazines an average distance of 1,048 miles than in corrying measures 291 miles is an earroine and carrying measures 291 miles is an earroined as a second class matter and rurange distance of 1,048 miles than in corrying measures 291 miles is an earroined as a second class matter and rurange distance of 1,048 miles than in corrying measures 291 miles is an earroined as a second class Political Side of It.

The Second infantry, C. N. G., will encamp at Niantic in July. This has been definitely decided. In May or June there will be a school for instruction of officers in the state, conducted by regular army officers from Fort Leavenworth Kan., says a New Haven despatch. Attendance will not be compulsory, but officers of the various commands will be expected to attend. The regimental camps in the summer will therefore not prevent the state from drawing an appropriation from the federal government toward the support of the National Guard.

The decision to have the Second regiment camp at Niantic will be welcomed in political circles. No year in the state's history has promised so much excitement among the candidates for offices and their supporters as this one has, and the summer outing of the regiment will bring many canvasses to a focus.

Over 16,000 Barrels of Maine Potatoes

ment in carrying magazines an average distance of 1.048 miles than in carrying newspapers 291 miles is so palpably wrong as hardly to deserve comment."

Island Falls, Me., Feb. 27.—Potatoes enough to feed a good sized army were destroyed in a fire that rulned three large storehouses at Belvidere siding on the Bangor & Aroostook railroad, near here, today. The total loss, covered by insurance, was over \$20,000, of which \$13,120 represented the value of 16,400 barrels of potatoes. The blaze was caused by a high gale that fanned to life the sparks of an old fire.

Plainville, Conn., Feb. 27.—Despondent over the recent death of a sister. Henry Hotchkiss committed suicide at his home here today by taking cyanide of potassium. He was 56 years old and leaves a wife and two children.

Fort Plains, N. Y., Feb. 27—The con-tinued mild weather and rain through out the Mohawk valley is causing ap-prehension that the disastrous floods

New Type of Machine Gun

SMALL AND EASY TO OPERATE

Can Be Carried by Two Men With Full Equipment of Stands-Can Be Fired from the Shoulder.

Washington, Feb. 27.—The army has just adopted a new type of machine gun that has some remarkable advantages over the existing guns. The new weapon is so small that it can be carried by a man or two with full equipment of stands and ammunition can be packed upon a mule. Barrels Can Be Instantly Change

When Heated. When Heated.

Moreover it can be fired from the shoulder, and consequently is much less subject to attack and capture by the enemy. The ammunition is carried on steel strips and the new gun is said to be free from the danger of chaking while the barrels are carried in duplicate and can be almost instantly changed when they become heated from rapid firing.

ARMENIAN USED A KNIFE ON THREE AMERICAN BOYS

Fight in Bridgeport Between Si American and Six Armenian Boys.

Bridgeport, Conn., Feb. 27.—In a fight between half a dozen young Armenians and as many American boys on Court street, tonight, one of the Armenians used a knife with such dextrous effect that he stabbed William Byrnes, aged 20, in the stomach; George French, aged 21 in the right arm, and Bartholomew Fennick, aged 20 was stabbed in the arm, the right cheek, and half of his nose was cut off. French and Fennick had their injuries treated at the Emergency hospital. William Byrnes' wound is serious in character. He was taken to St. Vincent's hospital. The Armenians made good their escape. The one who did the stabbing is John Pido, aged 20, a bellboy at the Stratfield hotel. It is believed that the assailants skipped the city. Pido is 20 years old and wore a light suit of clothes.

STRAIGHT OPPOSITION TO NAVAL PROGRAMME.

sees Bankruptcy of Government.

Washington, Feb. 27.-In a caustic

ow getting ready to start another war care, Japanese, German or otherwise, favor for an extravagant outlay for the

GOLD MEDAL FOR PEARY, One for Lieut, Shackleten, and Silver Medal for Captain Bartlett,

Rome, Feb. 27.—The Royal Geograptical society, at a largely attended meeting this evening, ratified the recommendations of the committee relatives to the bestowal of medals and other distinctions for the year 1909. These include: Gold medal to Commander Robert E. Peary, for discovery of the North pole; silver medal to Capt, Robert A. Bartlett, who commanded the steamer Roosevelt on the Peary expedition: gold medal to Lieut. Ernest P. Shackleton for his "farthest south"; silver tablet to the Duke of Abruzzi for his expedition to the Himalayas, where he made a record ascent. The society appointed William Morris Davis the geologist at Harvatrd university, correspondent.

ing Door.

Franklin, Pa., Feb. 27.—Miss Mary Crawford, 46 years old, was fatally injured today in the Sunday school rooms of the First Baptist church, while attending a Bible class. Her head was crushed by a large drop door, weighing more than a ton, which divides the adult class room from the children's quarters. Miss Crawford was leaning over the dividing line when the heavy door dropped, and, being slightly deaf, she heard neither the door nor the warnings of others.

in Atlanta Prison.

New York, Feb. 27.—Mrs. Charles W. Morse left New York today for Atlanta, where she will visit her husband at the federal prison. The chief object of her going at this time, it was sald is to consult with him about the plan of originating in Boston and Maine to circulate the largest petition ever undertaken in this country asking President Tafy to pardon him.

New Haven Paster Accepts Call to Bristol.

New Haven Conn., Feb. 27.—Rev. Everett O. Wismer of the Davenport Congregational church today made known that he had accepted a call to the Bristol Congregational church. He will leave here April 30.

Rapid Rise in Rivers at Pittsburg. Pittsburg, Feb. 27.—The rain of the last twenty-four hours, washing down the immense accumulation of ice and snow along the Allegheny and Monongahela watersheds caused a rapid riso in the rivers tonight. The prediction was made that the danger mark of 22 feet would be reacked by tomorrow. Conservator for Prisoner.

In the New London probate court Saturday, Judge Alfred Colt appointed Dr. D. R. Perry Heaton of New York conservator over Frederick A. S. Perry of New London, a life convict at Wethersfield. He shot and killed E. C. Whittlesey of New London, and will in a short time, inherit between \$75,000 and \$86,000 from a relative whose death occurred at New York several months ago. The estate is now being settled.

Perry has served about 25 years behind prison walls and is now about 65 years of age.

Brussels, Feb. 27.—At Machiemes-au-Pont, the big iron works were flooded tonight and 5,000 men were thrown out of work. The rivers Es-caut and Lys have inundated immensa-plains in Flanders. The situation in the valley of the Sambre is critical, the railroad being flooded.

\$160,000 Fire at Wilmington, Del. Wilmington, Del., Feb. 27.—Fire of unknown origin tonight destroyed one of two large storage warehouses of the Seaboard Air Line, with adjoining sheds containing large amounts of fertilizer constituents. The loss is approximately \$160,000 fully covered by heavy tree.

There was a big change in the weather between Saturday and Sumlay. On Saturday *marning the thermometer showed \$ degrees above zero, while on Sunday morning at the same time it was 45 degrees above a rise of 37 points, while in the middle of the day it was much higher. Watertown. Henry W. litch. 76, probably the oldest colored veteran of the civil war in the state, died at his home here last week.

Fed the Family On Garbage

JUST ADOPTED BY THE UNITED COLLECTED FROM BARRELS IN CITY BACK YARDS.

TOO PROUD TO ASK FOR AID

Persons Found in a Terrible State of Destitution

Burlington, Vt., Feb. 27.—Disdaining to ask for tow, aid and too proud to bag, a family of six persons, three of them children, for three years have been living on a tiny farm in the outskirts of this city on garbage which the father of the family, 70 years old, has daily collected from yards in this city, ostensibly to feed his "pigs."

Authorities Discours Startling Condi-Authorities Discover Startling Conditions.

This was the startling fact revealed today when the local authorities were colled to take charge of two insane middle aged women, both widows, their aged father, and three children. a boy and two girls, aged 4, 7 and 14 years, respectively. To the unspeakable diet upon which the women, Mrs. Mattie upon which the women, Mrs. Mattie and Mrs. Emery Leavitt, have subsisted for the past 36 months, is attributed their present insanity. Both will be sent to the state asylum for the insane.

The authorities found revolting con-ditions of squalor and disorder present in the battered farmhouse that the family occupied in a somewhat isolated section.

CORPORATION TAX LAW PUBLICITY FEATURE

More in Disfavor Than the Law Itself -Considerable Stir Among Connecticut Private Corporations.

New Haven, Feb. 27—With the coming of the last regular day for the returns under the new federal corporation tax law there has been considerable stir among the many private corporations of the state over the legal questions involved. Reports received from the various business centers of the state indicate that a large number of the corporations having profits over the \$5.000 exemption will hand in with their returns protests against the tax. The protests are intended to protect the corporations in case the tax should be declared unconstitutional by the United States supreme court as in the case of the old-income-tax.

In general the protests are made on New Haven, Feb. 27-With the com

old income tax.

In general the protests are made on the alleged unconstitutionality of the law for two leading reasons assigned. First, the general unconstitutionality of the statute as trespassing upon the charter corporation powers of this state, and secondly, of the exposure of facts of value to rivals as being deprivation of property without due process of law, as prohibited in the constitution of the United States. In some of the protests it is also asserted that the questions on the blanks have not conformed to the law itself.

In a number of cases, no returns

In a number of cases, no returns have been or will be handed in. The corporations taking thus the risk of the future constitutionality of the act will take advantage of the thirty days of grace provided for in the statute. While there is very strong feeling against the law on the part of the corporations, its enimus is aimed not so much at the tax itself as at its pub-licity feature. The simplicity of the federal blank is generally commended by the corporations of the state mak-

Must Be Able to Reach Top of Switch-boards-Varying Wages.

Brockton Fire Chief, Assistant and Call Fireman Injured.

Call Fireman Injured.

Brockton, Mass., Feb. 27.—Call Fireman William b; Hanchett of the Brockton fire department, was probably fatally injured, and Second Assistant Chief Fred H. Moore was painfully hurt when the automobile Chief Harry E. Marstan was driving at high speed, crasned into a telephone pole on East Chestnut street today. The chief was also cut and bruised about the head, but Chauffeur Ralph Raymond, who was on the front seat, escaped injury.

Boston, Feb. 27.—Bathers in New England.

Boston, Feb. 27.—Bathers in New England during the summer season of 1903 paid an exceptionally heavy toll to the waters, according to figures compiled by the United States volunteer life saving corps, showing that 604 persons were drowned in the New England states last summer from May to September inclusive. Of this number 272 were children. Of all New England, Massachusetts led in drownings, with 236.

Death of Oldest Anglican Chorister in America.

America.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 27.—John Hite Morton Morris will be buried tomorrow shrouded in the vestments he wore during his 61 years of continuous service in the choir of Christ church cathedral (Episcopal). He was the cidest Anglican chorister in America, being 78 years old at she time of his death. He was a member of the noted Morris family of Philadelphia.

tilizer constituents. The loss is approximately \$160,000 fully covered by insurance.

Westport, Vanderbilt Alien, the artist, has rented the residence of William Huributt on Compostreet and will have a large studio erected.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 27.—A constant downpour of rain during the last 24 hours has set the Onio river and its local tributaries, the Licking and Little Mlami, to rising to an extent that the Mlami, the rising to an extent that the Mlami, the same th

Condensed Telegrams

The Address in Reoly to the king's seech was a sopted in the British buse of commons.

The Chinese Authorities have de-posed the dalai lama as the head of the Tibetan government.

Former Vice President Fairbanks was an interested spectator at the pro-ceedings of the French senate.

The Question of the Authority of one branch of the government against an-other was argued in the supreme court of the District.

The French Cruiser Triant has been ordered to Point a Pitre, Guadaloupe, to land men to check the sugardane cutters' strike riots.

The Catholic Archbishop of Rheims France, was sentenced to pay \$100 damages to the Parlsh Public School Teachers' association.

The Democratic Ship Subsidy Bill, which will be submitted as a substitute for the administration measure, was introduced in the house. The United States Leads the World exporting tobacco and is second importing, according to statistics the department of commerce and

The House Judiciary Committee acted favorably on the resolution changing the date of the inauguration of the president from March 4 to the last Thursday in April.

Governor Hughes Denied the Report that he had been engaged by the In-terborough Rapid Transit company of New York to act as its counsel at an annual salary of \$50,000.

The German Government now an-nounces that if the American exposi-tion be held in Berlin the representa-tives of American exhibitors will be given a cordial welcome

Representative Longworth Denied any knowledge of a "hellish" plot be-tween ex-President Rooseveft, Senator Foraker and himself, aiming to carry Ohio for the republicans, with him act-

Representative Miller, who made a futile effort to abolish the Indian warehouses located at New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha and San Francisco by cutting the appropriation for them out of the Indian bill, has reopened his fight. As a Result of the Cabinet Meeting, Attorney General Wickersham telegraphed to District Attorney Wise, at New York, to note an appeal from the decision of Judge Hough dismissing the indictment against the Press Publishing company (New York World) on the charge of libel in connection with the Panama canal cases.

ELEANOR ROBSON AND AUGUST BELMONT WED.

Married at Actress' Home With Only

Near Relatives Present. New York, Feb. 27.—August Belmont and Miss Eleanor Robson, the actress, who closed her stage carer with the fall of the curtain on "The Dawn of a Tomorrow" at the Majestic theater, Brooklyn, on Feb. 12, were married yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the home of the bride, 302 West Seventy-seventh street, Mgr. Lavelle, assisted by Father Byrnes of St. Patrick's cathedral, officiating. Immediately after

thedral, officiating. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Belmont left the city for a trip through the south. In March they sail for the Mediterranean, from which they will return in time for the racing season at Belmont park.

White Illacs, yellow jonguils and palms decorated the front drawing room to the left of the hall, transforming it into a floral bower. On the east side of the room, beneath a marriage bell, Mgr. Lavelle conducted the ceremony. The bride wore a gown of heavy white Chaumeurse slik, princess effect, with draped skirt, fastened to one side, with hand embroidery, Dutch neck and elbow sleeves, bodice trimmed with hand embroidery and priceless old lace.

Washington, Feb. 27.—She is not a telephone girl if she is under five feet in height. The companies employ only girls who can reach the top of their switchboards and a reasonable distance sidesways from their positions, and the short ones never get a chance.

Conditions existing in telephone exchanges throughout the country are interestingly set forth in the report receptly sent to the senate dealing with the women employes—there are 17,210 of them working at the switchboards for 27 companies in 26 states which furnished the data. Agents of the bureau visited 73 exchanges and found them, generally speaking, well housed.

Wages for telephone girls vary from a monthly average of \$36.96 in New York city to \$22.40 in Nashville. Tenn. The Bell company employs 16,258 women operators at an average monthly wage of \$30.91.

Efficient senvice is possible up to 225 calls an hour for each girl. She cannot answer more than that without injuring herself or injuring the service.

Brockten Fire Chief, Assistant and SAILING WITHOUT A CAPTAIN.

SAILING WITHOUT A CAPTAIN. of Her Location.

New York, Feb. 27.—Somewhere on the high seas there is a three-masted French sailing ship without a captain and apparently without suce knowledge of where she is. The French liner La Savoie, which arrived here today after a cold, snowy and very rough passage, from Havre, reports that on February 23 she sighted such a ship which signalled "Captain dend," and asked for the intitude. The Savoie supplied latitude 49.18, longitude 15.64, by signal, but could not distinguish the sailing ship's name.

New Haven Italian Died from Effects of Fractured Skull,

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 27.—tostadine Granese, an Italian, died today in a local hospital from the effects of a fractured skull received Saturday night. The police are holding without ball pending an investigad in by Coroner Mix. Dominick Krega and Andrew Maliena. The two say that Granese threatened them with a revolver and that in taking it away from him he fell, striking his head on the sidewalk, Granese was 45 years old and leaves a wife and several children.

Church Doors Closed After 71 Years.

Boston, Feb. 27.—After simple exercises this afternoon, the Harvard Street Baptist church of this city closed its doors as a religious shode after seventy-one years of service. The shifting of the population that has taken most of the parishioners away is the chief cause of the dissolution of the church organization.

Dr. Cook's Movements.

Andes, Chill, Feb. 27.—Dr. Frederick

A. Cook and his wife left here today
for the Argentine republic. Their exact destination is not known

Why Methodism Is in Rome

SUBJECT OF A SERMON IN THE AMERICAN METHODIST CHURCH.

DELIVERED BY PASTOR TIPPLE

The American Church Crowded Sunday Morning, Many American Visitore Being Among the Listeners.

Rome, Feb. 27.—The American Methodist church was crowded this morning, the congregation including many American visitors, who were attracted by the subject of Pastor E. M. Tipple's sermon, "Why Methodism Is in Rome." It was in the American Methodist church that Charles W. Fairbanks, ex-vice president of the United States, delivered the address which shut him off from using received in audience by the pope, an incident which has created much discussion in Rome as well as in the cussion in Rome as well as in the United States.

Methodists Very Successful. The Rev. Mr. Tipple said that the Methodist church was meeting with great success throughout Italy. Buch an inference could be drawn from the extraordinary action of the Vatican with regard to the proposed visit of ex-Vice President Fairbanks to the pope and also from the bitter resentment of the Catholic clergy. As Mr. Pairbanks violes in the American ment of the Catholic clergy, As Mr Pairbanks spoke in the American Methodist church, the pastor said, it was fitting that from the same pulpit the charges preferred against Meth-odism in Italy should be considered

Have a Right to Be in Italy. "With reference to the assertion that the Methodists have no right to be in Italy," said the preacher, "the answer is that we are here under the Ralian laws, guaranteeing religious freedom. Another assertion by the Catholics is that Methodism is not needed in Italy. But Methodists believe that the need is urgent, as the Catholic church is always more efficient for good when compelled to compete with aggressive Protestantism as conspicuously evidenced in America. Protestantism as denced in America,

Archbishop Ireland's Experience. "The Catholic church suffers em-parrassment when it is required to atting the ideals of a great, liberty-oving rapublic contemporaneously with heading the demands of the Vatwith heeding the demands of the Vatican, which is still bound by the ideals of the Middle Ages. This is proved by the experience of Archbishop Ireland when he was here a year ago, studying the American colony. Very properly, Archbishop Ireland was asked to speak. Very properly, as a patriotic American claisen, he accepted the invitation. But suddenly the good archbishop recalled his acceptance. The Vatican had forbidden him to apeak or attend the banquer, because a foast to President Roosevelt was followed by a toast to the king of staly.

Why Italy Needs Methodism 'Italy needs Methodism because it is no longer Catholic, except in name. The charge of Methodism proselyting is foolish. Their hands are full in dealing with the unbelievers. This is proved by the last census, which shows that Italy reports the largest number of men without religious pro-

"The issue in Hely today is not Protestantism versus Catholicism, but faith versus atheism. Archbishop ireland has said that svery convert to Methodism costs \$1.400. If that is true, cannot the American Methodists better afford to pay it than every three Italian laborers who carry one priest?"

The paster urged that Archbishop Ireland specify the dishonorable methods employed by the Methodists here, and he added: "It is playing with fire for the Catholic church to open the subject of moral methods in Italy." Faith Versus Atheism.

LOAF OF BREAD PLACED OVER A SEVERED ARTERY

New Britain. New Britain, Conn., Feb. 27.—Owing to the presence of mind of an inmate of the house in which he lived, the life of Andrew Polish was saved to-day, when a loaf of bread was placed over a severed ariery and the flow of blood stayed sufficiently to keep him alive until the arrival of a physician. Polish, who has been in this country but two days, fell down stairs at his home, scraping off in his fall one car and severing an artery in his neck. An inmate of the house placed a loaf of bread over the cut, helding it there wantil the arrival of medical attendance. Polish was taken to a hospital, weak from the loss of blood, but will recover.

WHITINSVILLE CHURCH BURNED Flames Broke Out During Chair Rehearsal-Loss \$30,000.

Whitinsville, Mass., Feb. 27.—Dur-ing choir rehearsal today a fire broke out that destroyed the Methodiet Episcopal church here at a loss of \$80,000. The building was insured for \$10,000 A heavy gule scattered sparks for and wide and a dozen houses nearby were scorched. The fire is supposed to have started from an overheated fur-

\$75,000 FIRE IN BOSTON Narrow Escape of Liner Onendage from Destruction.

Boston, Feb. 27.—A stubborn fire in the Clyde line freight shede on Lewis wharf gave the depastment a hard three hours fight early today and caused a loss of approximately \$75,000. The Clyde liner Onondaga, which was tied up, nearly caught fire about the upper deck and but for the prempt work of tings and the fireboot, the vossel would have been destroyed.

The cause of the fire, which started in a shed on the wharf, is not known.

Killed. Vienna, Feb. 27.—A duel with pia-tols was fought here yesterday by two Austrian government officials, Dr. Oscar Mayer and Baron Hermann Widerhofer, Mayer shot Widerhofes

Burlington, Vt., Pab. 27.—Fibe early today destroyed Pri chapel and parish house of St. Paul's Episcopal chapels here, causing a loss of \$20,000. The blaze started presumably from an ev-erheated furnace